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MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General A. M. Gruenther
Director, Joint Staff
Joint Chiefs of Staff

1. Enclosed herewith are two letters concerning the OSS. As you know, the records of the OSS now belong to the JCS, although physically they are located in CIA.

2. The memorandum concerning General Donovan's comments on the report of the OSS is self-explanatory.

3. The letter to Mr. Fischer relates to a previous request Mr. Fischer made on CIA for authority to look through the files of CIA or OSS for the purpose of getting some incidents on which to base a radio show. We previously wrote him that the records of CIA, of course, were not available, that OSS had been disbanded, and we had nothing more to do with that. Then Mr. Fischer wrote me the letter quoted on the bottom of the copy of the letter sent to him on 19 November. I imagine that the JCS will be the next to be approached by Mr. Fischer, and, if I may be permitted to make a suggestion, I should recommend that his request to broadcast the activities of OSS be disapproved.

s/ & disp thru ER 11/19 (Thru DD)

R. H. HILLENKOETTER
Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central
Intelligence

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Memo for JCS, 11/19 (in dup)
cc ltr to Mr. Sy Fischer, 11/19 - ER 0-2066

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